

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:

FRANCHISE GROUP, INC., *et al.*,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-12480 (JTD)

(Jointly Administered)

**DECLARATION OF JOSEPH MALFITANO IN SUPPORT OF
MOTION OF DEBTORS FOR ENTRY OF INTERIM AND FINAL
ORDERS (I) AUTHORIZING THE DEBTORS TO ASSUME
THE CONSULTING AGREEMENT, (II) APPROVING
PROCEDURES FOR STORE CLOSING SALES, AND
(III) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF**

I, Joseph Malfitano, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the following is true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief:

1. I am Senior Managing Director & Global Head Transaction Counsel of Gordon Brothers Group, LLC (“Gordon Brothers”), the parent company of Gordon Brothers Retail Partners, LLC (“GBRP”), a retail consulting firm which maintains an office at 101 Huntington Avenue, 11th

¹ The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of their U.S. federal tax identification numbers, to the extent applicable, are Franchise Group, Inc. (1876), Freedom VCM Holdings, LLC (1225), Freedom VCM Interco Holdings, Inc. (2436), B. Riley Receivables II, LLC (4066), Freedom VCM Receivables, Inc. (0028), Freedom VCM Interco, Inc. (3661), Freedom VCM, Inc. (3091), Franchise Group New Holdco, LLC (0444), American Freight FFO, LLC (5743), Franchise Group Acquisition TM, LLC (3068), Franchise Group Intermediate Holdco, LLC (1587), Franchise Group Intermediate L, LLC (9486), Franchise Group Newco Intermediate AF, LLC (8288), American Freight Group, LLC (2066), American Freight Holdings, LLC (8271), American Freight, LLC (5940), American Freight Management Company, LLC (1215), Franchise Group Intermediate S, LLC (5408), Franchise Group Newco S, LLC (1814), American Freight Franchising, LLC (1353), Home and Appliance Outlet, LLC (n/a), American Freight Outlet Stores, LLC (9573), American Freight Franchisor, LLC (2123), Franchise Group Intermediate B, LLC (7836), Buddy’s Newco, LLC (5404), Buddy’s Franchising and Licensing, LLC (9968), Franchise Group Intermediate V, LLC (5958), Franchise Group Newco V, LLC (9746), Franchise Group Intermediate BHF, LLC (8260); Franchise Group Newco BHF, LLC (4123); Valor Acquisition, LLC (3490), Vitamin Shoppe Industries LLC (3785), Vitamin Shoppe Global, LLC (1168), Vitamin Shoppe Mariner, LLC (6298), Vitamin Shoppe Procurement Services, LLC (8021), Vitamin Shoppe Franchising, LLC (8271), Vitamin Shoppe Florida, LLC (6590), Betancourt Sports Nutrition, LLC (0470), Franchise Group Intermediate PSP, LLC (5965), Franchise Group Newco PSP, LLC (2323), PSP Midco, LLC (6507), Pet Supplies “Plus”, LLC (5852), PSP Group, LLC (5944), PSP Service Newco, LLC (6414), WNW Franchising, LLC (9398), WNW Stores, LLC (n/a), PSP Stores, LLC (9049), PSP Franchising, LLC (4978), PSP Subco, LLC (6489), PSP Distribution, LLC (5242), Franchise Group Intermediate SL, LLC (2695), Franchise Group Newco SL, LLC (7697), and Educate, Inc. (5722). The Debtors’ headquarters is located at 109 Innovation Court, Suite J, Delaware, Ohio 43015.

Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02199 that has been hired by American Freight, LLC, one of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the “Debtors”), along with Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC (“HMR”), to act as their exclusive consultant to assist with ongoing “store closing” or similar themed sales at certain of the Debtors’ retail locations that have been designated by Debtors’ management for closing (collectively, the “Closing Stores”).

2. I submit this declaration (the “Declaration”) on behalf of GBRP in support of the *Debtors’ Motion for Entry of Interim and Final Orders (I) Authorizing the Debtors to Assume the Consulting Agreement; (II) Approving Procedures for Store Closing Sales; and (III) Granting Related Relief*, filed on November 4, 2024 [Docket No. 14] (the “Motion”)². Although not required for purposes of approval of the Motion pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, I submit this Declaration and disclose GBRP’s connections to the Debtors and Parties-In-Interest (as defined below) in support thereof. I have reviewed and am familiar with the Motion and the relief sought therein.

3. The facts set forth in my Declaration are based upon my personal knowledge, information, and belief, and upon records kept in the ordinary course of business that were reviewed by me or other employees of Gordon Brothers or GBRP under my supervision and direction. If called as a witness, I would testify to the facts set forth in this Declaration.

4. In the ordinary course of its business, GBRP, through its parent company, Gordon Brothers maintain a database for purposes of performing “conflicts checks.” The database contains information regarding present and past representations and transactions of Gordon Brothers and all other companies presently controlled by Gordon Brothers (including GBRP). I obtained a list of names of individuals and companies provided by the Debtors with the names of each of the Debtors,

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

certain of the Debtors' significant creditors, and other parties-in-interest (attached hereto as **Schedule 1**; collectively, the "**Parties-In-Interest**"). A search of the aforementioned database was conducted for purposes of determining what, if any, connection(s) Gordon Brothers and other companies presently controlled by Gordon Brothers (including GBRP) may have with any Parties-In-Interest.

5. GBRP's search of the transaction database identified the connections listed on and described in the attached **Schedule 2**.

6. Except as to GBRP's contractual joint venture with HMR in connection with the Consulting Agreement, neither I, GBRP, nor any principal, partner, director, officer, or employee thereof, or any professional retained by GBRP has agreed to share or will share any portion of the compensation to be received from the Debtors by GBRP with any other person other than the principals and regular employees of GBRP.

7. Except with respect to entry into the Consulting Agreement, and except as set forth in **Schedule 2** (which sets forth the connections and potential connections of GBRP and its affiliates, to Parties-In-Interest in matters unrelated to the Debtors or these Chapter 11 Cases), to the best of my knowledge and belief, after reasonable inquiry, neither I, GBRP, nor any principal, consultant or employee thereof:

- a) are creditors, equity security holders, or insiders of the Debtors;
- b) are (or within two (2) years before the Petition Date were) directors or officers of the Debtors; or
- c) have interests materially adverse to the interests of the estate or any class of creditors or equity security holders, by reason of any direct or indirect relationship to, connection with, or interest in, the Debtors or for any other reason.

8. To the best of my knowledge, none of I, GBRP, or any principal, partner, director, officer, or employee thereof, or any professional retained by GBRP, insofar as I have been able to ascertain, holds or represents any interest adverse to the Debtors or their estates with respect to the matter(s) upon which GBRP is engaged, by reason of any direct or indirect relationship to, or connection with, or interest in, the Debtors or for any other reason.

9. As a part of a large and diverse business operation, Gordon Brothers and certain of its affiliates (including GBRP) have previously, are currently, and may in the future appear or participate (as agent, consultant, appraiser, professional, advisor, investor, lender, principal or otherwise) in numerous cases, proceedings, transactions and engagements, with, among other market participants, professionals, advisors, banks and other lenders, landlords, restructuring firms, liquidation firms, vendors, insurance carriers and brokers, operating companies, and equity and/or debt holders, each of whom may be involved in these proceedings, may represent Parties-In-Interest in these cases, and/or may be Parties-In-Interest in these cases (“Ordinary Course Interactions”). Except as disclosed herein, none of the Ordinary Course Interactions are believed to be matters directly connected or relating to the Debtors or these Chapter 11 Cases, nor does GBRP believe that any of the Ordinary Course Interactions will interfere with or impair GBRP’s activities, actions, responsibilities, or objectives in these cases.

10. In addition, Gordon Brothers is a portfolio company of investment funds managed by Stone Point Capital LLC (such investment funds and manager, collectively, “Stone Point”). No facts or circumstances concerning Stone Point, or any other portfolio company of any investment fund managed by Stone Point, or any other entities affiliated with Stone Point were reviewed or considered as part of preparing this Declaration (and thus were not disclosed as part of this Declaration).

11. The disclosures identified above are based upon my knowledge and belief after reasonable inquiry. At any time during the period of Gordon Brothers' engagement, if Gordon Brothers should discover any facts bearing on the matters described herein, Gordon Brothers will supplement the information contained in this Declaration.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Dated: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

November 12, 2024

GORDON BROTHERS GROUP, LLC

By: /s/ Joseph Malfitano
Joseph Malfitano
Senior Managing Director & Global Head
Transaction Counsel

Schedule 1

Parties-In-Interest List

Franchise Group, Inc.
Parties In Interest List

Debtor Entities & Related Subsidiaries

American Freight FFO, LLC
American Freight Franchising, LLC
American Freight Franchisor, LLC
American Freight Group, LLC
American Freight Holdings, LLC
American Freight Management Company, LLC
American Freight Outlet Stores, LLC
American Freight, LLC
B. Riley Receivables II, LLC
Betancourt Sports Nutrition, LLC
Buddy's Franchising and Licensing LLC
Buddy's New Co, LLC
Educate, Inc.
Franchise Group Acquisition TM, LLC
Franchise Group Intermediate AF, LLC
Franchise Group Intermediate B, LLC
Franchise Group Intermediate BHF LLC
Franchise Group Intermediate Holdco, LLC
Franchise Group Intermediate L, LLC
Franchise Group Intermediate PSP, LLC
Franchise Group Intermediate S, LLC
Franchise Group Intermediate SL, LLC
Franchise Group Intermediate V, LLC
Franchise Group New Holdco, LLC
Franchise Group Newco BHF, LLC
Franchise Group Newco PSP, LLC
Franchise Group Newco S, LLC
Franchise Group Newco SL, LLC
Franchise Group Newco V, LLC
Franchise Group, Inc.
Freedom VCM Holdings, LLC
Freedom VCM Interco Holdings, Inc.
Freedom VCM Interco, Inc.
Freedom VCM Receivables, Inc.
Freedom VCM, Inc.
Home & Appliance Outlet LLC
Pet Supplies "Plus", LLC
PSP Distribution, LLC
PSP Franchising, LLC
PSP Group, LLC
PSP Midco, LLC
PSP Service Newco, LLC

PSP Stores, LLC (Ohio)
PSP Subco, LLC
Valor Acquisition, LLC
Vitamin Shoppe Florida, LLC
Vitamin Shoppe Franchising, LLC
Vitamin Shoppe Global, LLC
Vitamin Shoppe Industries LLC
Vitamin Shoppe Mariner, LLC
Vitamin Shoppe Procurement Services, LLC
W.S. Badcock Corporation
WNW Franchising, LLC
WNW Stores, LLC

5% or Greater Equity Holders

B. Riley Private Shares 2023-2 QP, LLC
B. Riley Securities, Inc.
BRF Investments, LLC
Brian Kahn and Lauren Kahn Joint Tenants
by Entirety
Vintage Opportunity Partners, L.P.

Directors and Officers

Aaron Granger
Alissa Ahlman
Andrew Kaminsky
Andrew Laudato
Andrew M. Laurence
Anthony Block-Belmonte
Brian Hoke
Bryant R. Riley
Chris Meyer
Christopher Rowland
Daniel McNamara
Eric Seeton
Jacob Jones
Jeff Van Orden
Jeffrey Seghi
Jemma Lawrance
John Hartmann
Kenneth Miles Tedder
Lee Wright
Michael Bennett
Mike Gray
Muriel Gonzalez

Neal Panza
Norman McLeod
Peter Corsa
Philip Etter
Teresa Orth
Tiffany McMillan-McWaters
Todd Arden
Todd Evans

Administrative and Collateral Agents

Alter Domus (US) LLC
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

Significant Suppliers and Vendors

A TEAM SALES LLC
Affordable Furniture Mfg Inc
Alani Nutrition
American Agco (ADMC)
Animal Supply Co Lone Star
Animal Supply Co Wholesome
Ashley Furniture Industries Inc
Brodnax Printing Company I, LLC dba
Brodnax 21c Printers
California Pet Partners LLC
Capstone Nutrition
CRAMCO
Crown Mark Imports Inc
DAS LABS LLC
Elytus Ltd
Enterprise FM Trust
Flexport
Florida State Games Inc.
Garden of Life
Generis Tek Inc
GHOST, LLC.
Gorilla Mind
KFM247 LTD
KITH FURNITURE
Korber Supply Chain US, Inc.
LUMISOURCE, LLC
Marcone Appliance Parts Company
Mars Petcare
Media Works, Ltd.
Merrick Pet Foods Inc
Meta Platforms, Inc.
MMXXI Investments LLC

Nutrivo, LLC
ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC
(OFFICE DEPOT)
One Stop Facilities Maintenance Corp
Optimum Nutrition
Origin
Peak Living
Phillips Lansing Facility
Planitretail LLC
Prime Hydration LLC
PRO-FORM LABORATORIES
QUEST NUTRITION, LLC
Raw Sport Supplement Company
REDCON 1
Royal Canin
Ryse Up Sports Nutrition LLC
Seaboard International Forest Products LLC
Sealy Mattress Company
SEMINOLE FURNITURE
STEVE SILVER COMPANY
Uber Freight US LLC
Velosio LLC
VITALITY WORKS, INC
WEX BANK

Top Unsecured Creditors (as of 10.10.24)

ALBANY INDUSTRIES INC
Alpha Inc
Aquatic & Reptile - Central Garden & Pet
Arizona Nutritional Supplement
Assurant Inc.
Champion Petfoods USA
Climatic Home Products
COYOTE LOGISTICS
DELTA FURNITURE
Earth Animal Ventures
EHPLABS LLC
Elanco US Inc
ELEMENTS INTERNATIONAL GROUP
LLC
EMA Electrolux/Frigidaire
Force Factor Brands LLC
GE Appliances
GE General Electric-Haier US Appliance
GOOGLE
Hartz Mountain - VMX

Hill's Pet Nutrition
 Kong Company
 Living Style (Singapore) Pte. Limited
 Lowes Companies Inc
 M I Industries Inc
 Madix Inc
 Midwestern Pet Foods
 Muebles Briss S.A. De C.V.(Marby)
 Natural Balance Pet Foods Inc
 Nestle Purina Petcare Company
 Open Farm Inc
 Order Groove Inc
 O'Rourke Bros., Inc.
 O'Rourke Sales Company
 PEAK LIVING, INC.
 Phillips Feed and Pet Supply
 Premier Nutrition Company, LLC
 Radio Systems Corporation
 SEALY MATTRESS MANUFACTURING
 COMPANY
 Simmons Pet Food Inc
 SOLSTICE SLEEP COMPANY
 Spectrum Brands Pet LLC
 STANDARD FURNITURE MFG CO INC
 Stella and Chewys LLC
 Surest/UnitedHealthcare Inc.
 Titanic Furniture
 Transform Holdco LLC (3PL)
 UPS (Ocean Freight)
 Vitamin Well USA LLC
 Wellness Pet LLC
 Weruva International Inc
 Whirlpool
 ZINATEX IMPORTS, INC

Landlords & Lessors

103rd STREET 6024, LLC
 1210 Morena West LLC
 1230 Zion, LLC
 1700 Eubank, LLC
 1997 GRP Limited Partnership
 2151 Highland Partners, LLC
 2885 Gender Road, LLC
 30X30 34th Street Lubbock Partners, LLC
 3200 HWY 13, LLC

4100 Tomlynn Street-Rebkee, LLC and
 Tomlynn Street-Fountainhead, LLC
 4116 OBT Investments, LLC
 425 Broadway RE Holdings LLC & 431
 Broadway RE Holdings LLC
 4801 Washtenaw LLC
 5737-5848 North Elizabeth Street Holdings,
 LLC
 6001 Powerline, LLC
 65 Holmes Investment Partners LLC
 6588 LLC
 7000 S May Ave, LLC
 801 South Ft. Hood, LLC
 900-71, LLC
 A. Roland Kimbrell Trust
 Acorn Ridge Properties LLC, JDM Capital,
 LLC, MO Partners LLC, Confluence
 Investment LLC
 Afreight Holdings, LLC
 AJDC 2, LLC
 Albany Plaza Shopping Center LLC
 Alisan LLC and Roseff LLC
 All American Association, LLC and Yvonne
 Keff
 Allentex, LP
 Amerco Real Estate Company
 AMG Properties Inc.
 Amplify Credit Union
 Anderson Plaza, LLC
 Arch Village Management Realty LLC
 Ares Holdings, L.L.C.
 Arizona Mills Mall, LLC
 AR-Park Shopping Center, LLC and JSP-
 Park Shopping Center, LLC
 Atlanta Industrial TT, LLC
 B.J. McCord D/B/A McCord Business
 Center
 B33 Broadview Village LLC
 Baldwin Gardens, Inc.
 Bane Holdings of Tallahassee, LLC
 Banner Partners, LLC
 Bardstown S.C., LLC
 BC Airport, LLC
 Bell-51st, LLC
 Belt 98, Inc.
 Berryessa Plaza LLC

BG Plaza, LLC
 Boatlanding Development Co., Inc.
 Bostick Development, L.C.
 BRC Hendersonville, LLC
 BRE Mariner Venice Shopping Center LLC
 BRE Retail NP Festival Centre Owner LLC
 Brierwood Village LLC
 Brighton Landmark, LLC
 Brixmor Holdings 8 SPE, LLC
 Brixmor SPE 5 LLC
 Brixton Rogue, LLC
 Brookhill V Acquisition, LLC
 Brooksville Commercial Properties, LLC
 and Oak Tree Lane, LLC
 Brown Deer Mall, LLC
 Bruce Howe Trust
 BSW/DMW Properties LLC
 Cafaro Leasing Company, LTD.
 Candler RD Plaza GA LLC
 Cedar Golden Triangle, LLC
 Centerpoint 550, LLC
 Centerview Plaza, LLC
 Central Mall Port Arthur Realty Holding,
 LLC
 Certified Capital, LP, Horowitz Holdings,
 LLC, Asset Acquisitions, LLC, and 3610
 Partners, GP
 CETA Group Limited Partnership
 Chapel Hills Realty LLC, Chapel Hills CH
 LLC, and Chapel Hills Nassim LLC
 Charleigh Davis and TCCB Properties
 Chicago Title & Trust Company, As Trustee
 Under Trust Agreement Dated 10/10/1984
 and Known as Trust No. 1086065
 Chillicothe Shopping Center, LP
 Chris McCarty Company, LLC
 Cielo Paso Las Tiendas, L.P.
 Circle City Property Group Inc.
 Citimark Charleston, LLC
 CJM Limited Liability Limited Partnership
 Clear Creek Brothers - CV, LLC
 Clear Lake Center, L.P.
 Clendenin Partners
 CLPF-Essex Green, LLC
 Cobblestone Square Company, Ltd.
 ColFin 2015-2 Industrial Owner, LLC

Colony Mills Enterprises, LLC
 Combined Properties Limited Partnership
 Commercial Properties Associates, LLP
 Concord Retail Investment Group, LLC
 Core MR Westview, LLC
 Costco-Innovel Owner LLC
 Costco-Innovel Properties LLC
 Creekstone/Juban I, LLC
 Crossing Point LLC
 Crossroads Centre II, LLC
 Crossroads Plaza, LLC
 Crossroads Sunset Holdings, LLC
 Cuyahoga Investments, LLC
 CWP/Arlington LLC
 D3 New Albany, LLC
 Daniel G. Kamin Wadsworth Enterprises
 Daniel P. Hagaman
 Danville Riverside Partners, LLC
 Daytona Commons, LLC
 DCT Presidents Drive LLC
 DDR Carolina Pavilion LP
 Dennis R. Phillips Revocable Trust
 Derby Improvements, LLC
 DES 2015, LLC and CJCM, LLC-Series
 CV505
 Dixie Manor, LLC
 Donna M. Rainwater & Larry J. Rainwater
 Donna Rainwater Reece, Larry J. Rainwater,
 R. Bryan Whitmire and Karla J. Whitmire
 Douglas C. Foyt and Trailers for Sale or
 Rent, Inc.
 Dyn Sycamore Investments, L.L.C.
 E & L Investments LLC
 E.W. Thompson, Inc.
 Eagle Water, LLC
 Eagle-North Hills Shopping Centre LP
 Eastlake Edison LLC and Eastlake Milford
 LLC
 Economy Square, Inc.
 Ellis Chai LLC
 Esue LLC
 Ethan Conrad Properties, Inc.
 Excel Realty Partners, L.P.
 ExchangeRight Value-Add Portfolio 2
 Master Lessee, LLC
 F.M.K., LLC

Fairview Heights Realty, LLC and Fairview Nassim LLC
 Fall River Shopping Center North, LLC
 Faye Gross
 Fiddler's Run, LLC
 Fivel Family, LLC
 Fox Jr. Development Inc.
 Franklin Mills Associates Limited Partnership
 Franklin Towne Plaza LLC
 Frayer Enterprises, LLC
 Fredric Singer
 Front Street Kansas City, LLC
 FSC West Covina, LLC
 FSH Galleria Plaza, LLC
 G&I X Industrial IN LLC
 Gamble Brothers, LLC
 Gary Mehan, DBA G.M. Properties
 Gateway Retail Partner III, LLC
 Gateway South, LLC #1
 GBUZZ, LLC
 GCP Boom, LLC
 Giuffre IV, LLC
 GKI Industrial Dallas, LLC
 Glendale Galleria Center, LLC
 GLL BVK Properties, L.P.
 Gosula Holdings Ltd.
 Gravois Bluffs East 8-A, LLC
 Greater Orlando Aviation Authority
 Greenfield Plaza LLC
 Greenlight Development, LLC
 GRH Goodyear LLC, Gaston Holdings LLC, and MRH Venture Capital LLC
 Gridley Square Property, LLC
 GS Centennial LLC
 Gulson Retail LLC
 Halltown Farms, LLC
 Hankins Real Estate Partnership
 Hart & Hart Corp.
 Henry Fine Trust
 Hidden Hill Road Associates, LLC
 High Cotton Palisades, LLC, High Cotton Shoals, LLC and Pharo Palisades I, LLC
 Himaloy Taylor LLC
 HM Peachtree Corners I LLC
 Hogan Holdings 56, LLC

HV Center LLC, HV Center TIC 1 LLC, and HV Center TIC 2 LLC
 IH 35 LOOP 340 INVESTORS, LTD.
 IH-10 Hayden, Ltd.
 Indian Trail Square, LLC
 Inland Commercial Real Estate Services LLC
 Innovation Realty IN, LLC
 Integra CRE, LLC
 IRC Park Center Plaza, L.L.C.
 Ireland Corner, LLC
 Isador Schreiber & Associates, LLC
 J & F Gainesville Properties, LLC
 J&L Development Company, LLC
 Jackson Street Group, LLC
 Jeffnan U.S.A. Inc.
 JHG Properties, LLC
 JMK5 Winchester, LLC
 JMW Hebron, LLC
 Joe Amato East End Centre, LP
 JRF Texas Properties, LLC
 JSM Land Group, LLC
 Kelley Commercial Realty, LLC and Stephanie D. Kelley
 Keyser Oak Investors, LLC
 KGI Military LLC
 Kin Properties Inc.
 Kings Mountain Investments
 Kingsport Green AC Managing Company, LLC
 Kinsman Investors
 Kitty Wells, Inc.
 KMD, LLC
 KRG Houston Royal Oaks Village II, LLC
 KRG Plaza Green, LLC
 L.W. Miller Holding Company
 Laurie Industries, Inc., Kinpark Associates and Fundamentals Company
 LAWRENCE F. KOLB & CATHERINE M. KOLB, TRUSTEES OF THE LAWRENCE F. KOLB AND CATHERINE M. KOLB
 JLRT U/A/D APRIL 12, 2018 and 2233 & 2235 MO BLVD, LLC
 LBD Properties, LLC
 LCRF, LLC
 LDC Silvertree, LLC

Leland J3, LLC
 Leveraged Holdings, L.L.C.
 Lexington 2770, LLC
 Lichtefeld Development Trust
 Lidl US Operations, LLC
 Lincoln Associates
 LIT-ENVP Limited Partnership
 LoLo Enterprises, LLC
 Lovell 2.5, LLC
 LU Candler Station Holdings, LLC
 Lynch Butler
 M3 Ventures, LLC
 Macon Center, LLC
 Malco T.I.C.
 Mall at Potomac Mills, LLC
 Marathon Management, LLC
 Marc NaperW LLC and NaperW, LLC
 MarketFair North, LLC
 McRae Mortgage & Investments, LLC
 Meditrina Properties, LLC
 Melvin C. McClung, Trustee of the Tommie
 Louise McClung Family Trust
 Menard, Inc.
 Merchant 33 LLC
 Merchant's Investors, LLC
 Meredith, Inc.
 Midwest Commercial Funding, LLC
 Missouri Boulevard Investment Company,
 LLC
 Mobile Highway 4500, LLC
 Mojack Holdings, LLC
 Mongia Capital Michigan, LLC
 Moon Village, LLC
 Morningside Plaza, L.P.
 MR Stealth LLC
 Muenchens Unlimited, LLC
 NDF III MJ Crossing, LLC
 New Bern Development LLC
 New Plaza Management, LLC
 Newport Crossing Investors, LLC
 Niagara Falls 778, LLC
 North County Columbia Realty, LLC
 Northern McFadden Limited Partnership
 Northside Village Conyers, LLC
 Northtowne Center Investors, LLC
 Oak Forest Group, LTD

Okee Realty Associates, LLC
 Old Orchard, LLC
 One Home Realty, Inc.
 One Land Company, LLC
 One Oak Investments, LLC
 Osborne Properties Limited Partnership
 Oxford Street Huntsville
 P & S Axelrod, L.L.C.
 P&H Investments, LLC
 Pacifica Muskegon, LLC
 Parker-Anderson, LLC
 Parkway Mall, LLC
 PCRIF Spring Park Holdings, LLC
 Pensacola Corners LLC
 PFIILP - Parr Boulevard, LLC
 Pilchers Summit Limited Partnership
 Pinellas Park Square, LLC
 Piqua Investment Partners, LLC
 PK II El Camino North L.P.
 Plaza North Shopping Center, LLC
 Polk County Partners, LLC
 Port St. Lucie Plaza I, II, III, LLC
 Prattville Partners, Limited Partnership
 Prologis Targeted U.S. Logistics Fund, L.P.
 Pullman Square Associates
 Rainbow Investment Co.
 Randall M. Schulz
 Ravi Randal Investment Group, LLC
 RE Pecan, LLC
 Realty Income Corporation
 Regions Bank as Trustee of the Thomas H.
 Willings Jr. Family Trust
 Repwest Insurance Company
 Richard Briggs and John Nathan Briggs, as
 Trustees of the Stephanie R. Briggs
 Irrevocable Trust dated October 15, 2009;
 and Stephanie R. Briggs and John Nathan
 Briggs, as Trustees of the Richard M. Briggs
 Irrevocable Trust dated October 15, 2009
 Ridgewater Commerce LLC
 Rini Realty Company
 River Oaks Properties, Ltd.
 Riverdale Center North, LLC
 Riverplace Shopping Center, LLC
 Rock N Roll Development, LLC
 Rockhill Center, LLC

Rodi Road 501, LLC
 Rogers Commercial Properties, LLC
 Rose & Rose, LLC
 RPI Ridgmar Town Square, Ltd.
 RRG LLC
 Sabatine BK Development, LLC
 Saia Family Limited Partnership
 Sarabara Corp.
 Sav 15000 Abercorn, LLC
 Sears Authorized Hometown Stores, LLC
 SEK 7753, LLC
 Shrewsbury Village Limited Partnership
 Sissel Juliano
 SJN Realty Holdings, LLC
 Slidell Athletic Club Property, L.L.C.
 Somera Road - Athens Georgia II, LLC
 South Tulsa Storage, LLC
 Southern Hills Center, Ltd.
 Southgate Properties, LLC
 Southtown Plaza Realty LLC and
 Southtown Nassim LLC
 Southview Dothan Investors, LLC
 Space For Lease of Tennessee
 State Road 4201, LLC
 Stature High Ridge, LLC
 Sterling Equities II, LLC
 Stewart & Hamilton Properties, LLC
 Stone Mountain Square Shopping
 Center, LLC
 SVR Investments, LLC
 SW 17th Street 1010, LLC
 Sylvan Park Apartments, LLC
 T.B.R. Property Group, LLC
 T18 Investments, LLC
 Tanglewood Venture, LLC
 TB Garrett Creek, LLC
 TBF Group Battle Creek, LLC
 TCP Enterprise Parkway, LLC
 Tejas Center, LTD.
 Tenalok, LLC
 Texas Main Street, LLC
 The Collins Investment Trust
 TKC CCXXXIX, LLC
 TKG Colerain Towne Center, LLC
 TKG Cranston Development, L.L.C.
 TKG Fairhaven Commons, LLC

TLP 4782 Muhlhauser LLC
 Tops Holding, LLC
 Town Real Estate Enterprises, LLC
 Tucson Speedway Square, LLC
 Tumon Bay Resort & Spa, LLC
 Turfway Baceline, LLC
 Two by Two Properties, LLC
 Tycker Heirs Separate Property, LLC
 University Realty Associates, LLC
 US Investments
 Victory River Square, LLC
 Vishal Kalmia Plaza, LLC
 W.H. Warehouse, L.L.C.
 Wal-Austin, LLC
 Warner Robins Perlmix, LLC
 Watson Village Retail, LLC
 Waverly Plaza Shopping Center, Inc.
 West County Investors, LLC
 Weston SCIP 2 LLC
 Westphal Leasing, LLC
 Westside Village Shopping Center of Rome,
 Inc.
 WFD Investments, L.L.C.
 White Lane, LLC
 Whitehall Crossing D, LLC
 William Shane Courtney
 Woodcrest Akers, LLC
 Woodforest Mini-City Partners, LP and
 JLCM Partners, LP, TIC
 Wylds 1708, LLC
 YEK #9, LLC
 York Realty Investment, LLC

**Significant Counterparties to Material
 Agreements**

CAPTURIS
 Engie Resources LLC

Significant Litigation Matters

Charles Knight
 Health Advocate
 Gale et al [Class Action]
 Joseph F Gazzo III
 Matthew Giffuni
 Quadre Investment Advisors LLC
 Buddy's Mac Holdings, LLC

Professionals

AlixPartners LLP
Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP
Deloitte & Touche LLP
Ducera Partners LLC
Ernst & Young
Evercore LP
Foley & Lardner LLP
Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani, LLP
Gordon Brothers Asset Advisors, LLC
Grant Thornton LLP
Guggenheim Securities, LLC
Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC
Hilco Real Estate, LLC
Holland & Knight, LLP
Kroll Restructuring Administration LLC
Landis Rath & Cobb LLP
Latham & Watkins LLP
Lazard Group LLC
M3 Advisory Partners, LP
Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP
Paul Hastings LLP
Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison
LLP
Petrillo Klein & Boxer LLP
Porter Wright Morris & Arthur LLP
Ryan, LLC
Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP
Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders LLP
White & Case LLP
Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP
Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP

Other Parties

BCDC Portfolio Owners LLC
BCHQ Owner LLC
National Retail Properties, LP

DE - Judges

Chan, Ashely M.
Dorsey, John T.
Goldblatt, Craig T.
Horan, Thomas M.
Owens, Karen B.
Shannon, Brendan L.
Silverstein, Laurie Selber
Stickles, J. Kate
Walrath, Mary F.

DE – Office of the United States Trustee

Andrew R. Vara
Benjamin Hackman
Christine Green
Diane Giordano
Dion Wynn
Edith A. Serrano
Elizabeth Thomas
Fang Bu
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Schedule 2

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DISCLOSURE OF GORDON BROTHERS RETAIL PARTNERS, LLC

- a. GBRP is a retail consulting firm with significant experience assisting companies in maximizing the value of retail inventory both in and out of bankruptcy cases. GBRP, together with its syndication partner Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC ("HMR"), is currently providing store closing services for the Debtors at certain of the Debtors' retail locations that have been designated by Debtors' management for the Closing Stores.
- b. GBRP's affiliate, Gordon Brothers Asset Advisors, LLC has previously completed and may in the future complete, inventory appraisal(s) on behalf of a lender or lender(s) to the following Debtors: (i) Franchise Group, Inc.; (ii) American Freight Group, LLC; (iii) Buddy's New Co, LLC; (iv) Pet Supplies "Plus", LLC; and (v) W.S. Badcock Corporation.
- c. Gordon Brothers has a corporate banking relationship with a syndicate of lenders, some of whom are also lenders to the Debtors.
- d. Joseph Malfitano, Senior Managing Director & Global Head Transaction Counsel of Gordon Brothers ("Malfitano") was previously employed by Hilco Trading, LLC, the parent company of HMR.
- e. Malfitano owns and previously operated Malfitano Advisors, LLC d/b/a Malfitano Partners ("Malfitano Partners"). In November 2022, Malfitano joined Gordon Brothers as part of a transaction with Malfitano Partners.
- f. Malfitano was previously associated with the Bankruptcy and Corporate Restructuring group of the law firm of Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP ("YCST") in Wilmington, Delaware. While at YCST, the Honorable Brendan Linehan Shannon and the Honorable John Dorsey were partners in the Bankruptcy and Corporate Restructuring section.
- g. While at Ashby & Geddes, the Honorable Karen B. Owens provided legal services to GBRP in matters unrelated to the Debtors and these cases.
- h. It is possible that one or more law firms engaged by the Debtors or other Parties in Interest, have previously or are currently representing Gordon Brothers or its affiliates in matters unrelated to the Debtors or these Chapter 11 Cases, and that such representations are not necessarily reflected in Gordon Brothers' database for purposes of performing "conflicts checks." Except as may be disclosed herein, any such law firm's representation of Gordon Brothers and its affiliates is unrelated to the Debtors and these Chapter 11 Cases.
- i. Gordon Brothers and its affiliates may have had Ordinary Course Interactions with certain of the Parties in Interest within the prior two years, but none of such Ordinary Course Interactions are believed to be related to the Debtors or these Chapter 11 Cases.
- j. In matters unrelated to the Debtors and these Chapter 11 Cases, GBRP and/or affiliates of Gordon Brothers currently provide or have previously provided asset valuation, furniture, fixture & equipment disposition services, real estate advisory, real estate appraisal, enterprise

valuation services, inventory liquidation services, and/or retail advisory services for (or related to) the following entities: (i) Foley & Lardner LLP; (ii) Holland & Knight, LLP; (iii) JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.; (iv) Open Farm Inc.; (v) Prime Hydration LLC; (vi) Radio Systems Corporation. GBRP does not believe that these connections create a conflict of interest regarding the Debtors or Chapter 11 Cases.

- k. From time to time, Gordon Brothers and/or its affiliates have collaborated with or engaged the professional services of the following firms in matters unrelated to the Debtors: (i) AlixPartners, LLP; (ii) Ducera Partners LLC; (iii) Ernst & Young; (iv) Flexport; (v) Grant Thornton LLP; (vi) Guggenheim Securities, LLC; (vii) Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC; (viii) Latham & Watkins LLP; (ix) Lowes Companies Inc; (x) M3 Advisory Partners, LP; and (xi) REDCON 1.
- l. Because of the magnitude of the entire creditor list in these cases, it is possible that GBRP may represent or may have represented other creditors of the Debtors but does not represent any such creditors in connection with these cases. GBRP presently or in the past has served as a professional person in other matters, wholly unrelated to the Debtors or these cases, in which other attorneys, accountants and other professionals of the Debtors, creditors, or other parties in interest may have also served or serve as professional persons.
- m. Gordon Brothers may have a relationship with a creditor or party in interest that may fall into multiple categories. When that is the case, the party in interest is listed once herein.